

## **2008 TWENTY-FIRST PROFESSIONAL SEMINAR - OVERVIEW**

On March 22, 2008, over sixty TMI professional members, Monroe family members, and special guests arrived at the Nancy Penn Center to register for Hemi-Sync®: Varieties of Experience, the Twenty-first Professional Seminar. This very special occasion was the first opportunity for most of those in attendance to meet Paul Rademacher, the Institute's new executive director.

After a sumptuous dinner in the Nancy Penn Center dining room, we adjourned to David Francis Hall for the opening ceremonies. Paul's resonant voice embraced everyone, and he began his remarks by honoring the many contributions that have helped to create the enduring legacy of TMI. In particular he singled out Bob and Nancy Monroe, Laurie Monroe, and Nancy McMoneagle as guiding lights through formative years. Paul then commented on how the curiosity and creativity that drove Bob in his research will continue to be the hallmark of our efforts as the Institute grows in new and ever expanding directions.

As so frequently happens with the keynote address, "The Healing Energy Experiments: Science Reveals our Natural Power to Heal" by Gary E. Schwartz, PhD, created a congenial context for the presentations that followed. The diverse topics included introducing Hemi-Sync in allopathic medical institutions, using energy work to enhance the response to a Hemi-Sync OUTREACH exercise, employing Hemi-Sync and other innovative tools to enrich educational environments, an analysis of residential program benefits, a report on a long-term project devoted to exploring Focus 27, Hemi-Sync as a springboard to creating individual soundscapes for severely disabled students, and, not least, the amazing power and versatility of METAMUSIC®.

On both Sunday and Monday evenings, professional members divided into two groups to dialogue with Paul Rademacher. Those brainstorming sessions produced a cornucopia of ideas, some of which Paul shares in this issue of the TMI Focus. Among those participating were founding professional members as well as members who joined mere months before the seminar. One of our newest members came all the way from Israel, fulfilling a dream first conceived in the early 1990s.

As we dream, plan, and create together, The Monroe Institute will continue to contribute "something of value" in the twenty-first century and beyond.

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